

(The amendment is printed in today's RECORD under "Text of Amendments.")

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, this is a substitute amendment that has \$1.2 trillion less in deficits than the President's plan. It also provides the funding for the war supplemental. It provides for additional funding for homeland security of \$80 billion over the baseline. It provides \$194 billion of additional funding for prescription drugs, which is still well short of what would be needed to give Americans the kind of coverage we, as Members of Congress, have. It provides \$73 billion to keep the promise made by Congress to States on funding for that program. It provides \$71 billion for transportation infrastructure, \$13 billion for veterans, and balances in 2011, as compared to the underlying resolution of balancing in 2012, and the President's budget which never balances.

Colleagues, I urge you to support this substitute which is the priorities of the American people.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oklahoma.

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, I compliment my colleague for having a proposal. Last year, we did not get to vote on a Democrat alternative; today, we will. It greatly increases taxes and greatly increases spending.

I call upon my colleague from Nevada.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nevada.

Mr. ENSIGN. Mr. President, the Democrat substitute increases taxes by \$1.24 trillion over 10 years relative to the budget assumptions. It increases total spending by \$113 billion in 2004 over the budget assumptions and by \$458 billion over the 10 years.

I think there is a clear difference pointed out between our budget and this budget from a philosophical standpoint. There is only \$60 billion in a growth package allowed under this budget. I think this budget does not provide for the economic growth we need to get this economy going so there will be jobs for our military people when they get home. Our budget provides for that; their budget does not.

I urge a "no" vote on this budget.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator's time has expired.

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The question is on agreeing to amendment No. 411.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. REID. I announce that the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER), is necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. ENZI). Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 43, nays 56, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 83 Leg.]

YEAS—43

Akaka	Edwards	Levin
Biden	Feingold	Lieberman
Bingaman	Feinstein	Mikulski
Boxer	Graham (FL)	Murray
Byrd	Harkin	Nelson (FL)
Cantwell	Hollings	Pryor
Carper	Inouye	Reed
Clinton	Jeffords	Reid
Conrad	Johnson	Rockefeller
Corzine	Kennedy	Sarbanes
Daschle	Kerry	Schumer
Dayton	Kohl	Stabenow
Dodd	Landrieu	Wyden
Dorgan	Lautenberg	
Durbin	Leahy	

NAYS—56

Alexander	Crapo	McCain
Allard	DeWine	McConnell
Allen	Dole	Murkowski
Baucus	Domenici	Nelson (NE)
Bayh	Ensign	Nickles
Bennett	Enzi	Roberts
Bond	Fitzgerald	Santorum
Breaux	Frist	Sessions
Brownback	Graham (SC)	Shelby
Bunning	Grassley	Smith
Burns	Gregg	Snowe
Campbell	Hagel	Specter
Chafee	Hatch	Stevens
Chambliss	Hutchison	Sununu
Cochran	Inhofe	Talent
Coleman	Kyl	Thomas
Collins	Lincoln	Voinovich
Cornyn	Lott	Warner
Craig	Lugar	

NOT VOTING—1

Miller

The amendment (No. 411) was rejected.

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. NICKLES. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oklahoma is recognized.

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, I appreciate the cooperation of the Chair. We are going to have a lot of votes, so it is going to be important for us to keep order in the Senate at all times.

We are ready to consider an amendment by the Senator from Michigan.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Michigan is recognized.

AMENDMENT NO. 372

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I call up amendment No. 372, which is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] proposes an amendment numbered 372.

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that further reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The amendment is as follows:

(Purpose: To end the abusive use of offshore tax havens (ending tax advantages for corporate inversions and closing the Bermuda reinsurance loophole) and use the half of the resulting revenues of \$4.7 billion over ten years to reduce the deficit and half to restore funding for education, with the education increases to be split evenly between IDEA, school construction and modernization, and after-school programs)

On page 3, line 9, increase the amount by \$38,000,000.

On page 3, line 10, increase the amount by \$130,000,000.

On page 3, line 11, increase the amount by \$153,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, increase the amount by \$268,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, increase the amount by \$321,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, increase the amount by \$385,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, increase the amount by \$460,000,000.

On page 3, line 16, increase the amount by \$551,000,000.

On page 3, line 17, increase the amount by \$658,000,000.

On page 3, line 18, increase the amount by \$785,000,000.

On page 3, line 19, increase the amount by \$936,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, increase the amount by \$38,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, increase the amount by \$130,000,000.

On page 4, line 2, increase the amount by \$153,000,000.

On page 4, line 3, increase the amount by \$268,000,000.

On page 4, line 4, increase the amount by \$321,000,000.

On page 4, line 5, increase the amount by \$385,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, increase the amount by \$460,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, increase the amount by \$551,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by \$658,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by \$785,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, increase the amount by \$936,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, increase the amount by \$272,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by \$269,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by \$269,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by \$267,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by \$262,000,000.

On page 4, line 20, increase the amount by \$253,000,000.

On page 4, line 21, increase the amount by \$240,000,000.

On page 4, line 22, decrease the amount by \$220,000,000.

On page 4, line 23, decrease the amount by \$193,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, decrease the amount by \$156,000,000.

On page 5, line 5, increase the amount by \$11,000,000.

On page 5, line 6, increase the amount by \$187,000,000.

On page 5, line 7, increase the amount by \$255,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by \$267,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by \$262,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by \$253,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by \$240,000,000.

On page 5, line 12, decrease the amount by \$220,000,000.

On page 5, line 13, decrease the amount by \$193,000,000.

On page 5, line 14, decrease the amount by \$156,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, decrease the amount by \$38,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, decrease the amount by \$119,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by \$34,000,000.